Ghulfan

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1 Language Information

• Source: Kauczor (1920)

• Glottlog: http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/ghul1238

· ISO-identifier: ghl

• Speakers:

· Location: Sudan

• Geneology: Nubian > West-Central Nubian > Central Nubian > Kordofan Nubian > Eastern Kordofan Nubian > Uncunwee

2 Nominal Morphology

The plural form of the word is marked by a suffix.

3 Verbal Morphology

Some verbs have different roots when the subject is in plural. In the present tense, the suffixes for 1/3PL are like the one for 3SG, in the past tense, they are like the suffixes for 2SG/PL.

4 Conjunction

The coordination conjunctions are *o-o* 'and' and *e-e* 'and'. *amma* 'but' is the adversative conjunction that comes from the Arabic language. In the case of nominal coordination, the postposition *ku* 'with' can be used as conjunction.

(1) an-entaneku i šeom

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'I went there with my brother./ My brother and I went there.' [Kauczor, 1920, p. 279]

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(2) haganeku šeoma ?

' Did he go with his father?/ Did he and his father go?' [Kauczor, 1920, p. 279]
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(3) D'ubare Ud'oeku od'om

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- 'Djubare and Udjó hit each other.' [Kauczor, 1920, p. 279]
- (4) eò, an-entanò, an-enanò, on i ino

'I, my brother, and my mother, we weed in this way (Ich, mein Bruder und meine Muter, so jäten wie)' [Kauczor, 1920, p. 282]

(5) turunen-ir šed-è, tomur-è ...?'the people of the chameleon, (i.e.) the ants, the bees ...' [Kauczor, 1920, p. 282]

5 Disjunction

Disjunction is marked by ete 'or'.

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(6) geg' ete one warra?'Do you want this or that?' [Kauczor, 1920, p. 282]
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(7) šum' ete šúmnoma?'Did he went or not?' [Kauczor, 1920, p. 282]

6 Postpositions

There are only two real postpositions in this language:

- 1. ko comitative, instrumental, temporal, lokative
- 2. ku comitative

There are words that can be used as prepositions as well:

- 1. kin'e 'without'
- 2. watu 'to'
- 3. dwar/twar 'under'
- 4. dwe/twe 'above'
- 5. *dor/tor* 'in'
- 6. kal/kalu 'after, behind'

References

Kauczor, D. (1920). Die bergnubische Sprache. Vienna: Akademie der Wissenschaften.